

# BRITISH WAR BASE AT DUNKIRK BOMBARDED BY BIG GERMAN GUNS

## ROOSEVELT IS HIT HARD WHEN DECISION BOTTLES UP ALL HIS STAR WITNESSES

Even John A. Hennessy Is Barred From Telling About His Probe.

DUELL IS THROWN OUT.

Whitman Admits Duell Letter, Says They Are His Sentiments Now.

By Samuel M. Williams. (Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 30.—It was a rocky road that Col. Roosevelt and his counsel had to travel to-day in the Barnes libel suit. Every step was over boulders of legal objections, some which they were permitted by the court to move aside, but the barriers were sustained and progress in that direction completely stopped.

Every witness offered by Col. Roosevelt's lawyers met with the same fate. The testimony was barred out entirely or only fragments of it admitted.

Charles H. Duell, Jr., to whom Gov. Whitman sent the letter which was read in the Supreme Court yesterday, was ordered to leave the courtroom this afternoon after he had pleaded testimony given by Frederick M. Davenport, a former State Senator, Justice Andrews instructed an attendant to escort Mr. Duell, who was sitting near the witness stand, from the room.

Outside the court room Duell said he had not meant to applaud, but his hands, which he was holding clasped in his lap, had "slipped." Mr. Davenport had just told of delivering a speech on the floor of the State Senate in which he described Mr. Barnes as a "political Nero who was fiddling while Rome burned."

EVEN JOHN A. HENNESSY IS BARRED OUT.

The hardest blow of all both to the Colonel and the witness was the barring out of John A. Hennessy without giving him opportunity to say a word beyond giving his name and occupation. This relentless investigator of Sulzer days was primed full of facts about corruption of the State government; his little black book that terrorized many politicians was in his inside pocket, but of no service.

All of his testimony was spiked by Mr. Ivins admitting in evidence part of the Republican State platform of last year, which denounced the Democratic administration of Dix and Sulzer as luridly as anything the witness might say.

"If what you seek is to prove general corruption of the Democratic State government," said Mr. Ivins, "I am willing to admit that part of the platform referring to the subject. I drew it myself."

William M. Ivins to-day denied that he had telegraphed Gov. Whitman last night and requested him to appear as a witness later in the trial of the suit. An aide of Mr. Ivins had previously declared, however, that an answer had been expected from the

## EVERY TAXI MUST HAVE LICENSE TO CARRY TAXIMETER

"Yellows" Again Lose by Decision of the Appellate Division.

The Evening World's long fight for taxicab regulation was crowned with complete victory to-day when the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court upheld the amended Public Hack ordinance in every respect and refused to grant the Mason-Seaman Company, the last of the big companies to hold out, an injunction restraining the city from enforcing the ordinance.

The decision means that all taxicab companies, whether operating from private garages, hotels or ferries and railroad depots, must submit to the ordinance. And this they must do immediately. The Appellate Division's decision carries no stay of execution with it.

There is no further appeal. No opinion was handed down by the higher court, which indicates that the legality of the amended ordinance was apparent on its face. A precedent long ago established by the Appellate Division prevents the taxicab company from taking the case to the Court of Appeals without permission from the presiding Justice of the Appellate Division.

Assistant Corporation Counsel Terence Farley, who handled the case for the city, said to-day that the decision was a sweeping, final victory and that there would be little likelihood of the case going up to the Court of Appeals.

"This settles the whole thing," said Mr. Farley. "It puts a stop to the practice of cheating the public by the maintenance of private garages near the big hotels and railroad stations. This practice was only a blind. Passengers rode in these so-called private taxicabs believing them to be under city regulation only to find at the end of the journey that the rate was higher than the prescribed rates and that after all the taxi was not a public vehicle."

## BAIL FOR MRS. WALTERS PENDING TRIAL LIKELY

Justice Brady Intimates He May Grant Motion—Speedy Trial Asked.

Abraham Levy tried to-day to expedite the trial of Loris Elton Rogers, indicted for violation of the White Slave Law, and Mrs. Ida Sniffen Walters, indicted for murdering her two children with poison. He made a motion in the Supreme Court in the Bronx to dismiss both indictments for failure to prosecute within a reasonable time.

## CRAZED BY GRIEF, KILLS HIMSELF AT PARENTS' GRAVES

Hunter Brooke of New York Goes to Media, Pa., to Commit Suicide.

HAD BABY WEEK OLD.

Worried Over Child's Coming but Seemed Rational Yesterday.

Hunter Brooke, Secretary and Treasurer of the Waymen-Bruton Company, manufacturers of snuff at No. 59 Union Square, shot and killed himself last night between the graves of his mother and father in a cemetery in Media, Pa., according to a despatch received here to-day.

When the news of his suicide was received to-day at his office it caused the greatest surprise, as it was not known until then he had gone to Media.

He left his office yesterday afternoon without telling any one that he intended to leave town, and it was supposed that he was going to his home in Garden City, L. I., where he lived with his wife and baby.

It is believed by Mr. Brooke's business associates that unusual nervousness and worry preceding the birth of the baby a week ago, combined with grief over the death of his mother, caused a nervous breakdown that left him temporarily irresponsible.

J. Peterson, President of the Waymen-Bruton Company, said Mr. Brooke was in the office yesterday and seemed to be rational. He knew of no business that should take him to Media, only that he was born there and probably made up his mind to die in his birthplace.

Mr. Brooke had been with the company and its predecessors for twenty years and had been secretary and treasurer since 1911. President Peterson declared he was efficient and that his accounts were correct.

He said Mr. Brooke was of good habits, lived within his income, had no private financial troubles, and probably left a comfortable estate.

## JAMES DUFFY, MARATHON CHAMPION, KILLED AT FRONT WITH CANADIANS.

HAMILTON, Ont., April 30.—The name of James Duffy, a prominent long-distance runner, whose home was in this city, appears in to-day's list of those killed in the Canadian contingent at the front.

Duffy, known prominently in many of the United States by winning the American Marathon at Boston last year. The year before he won the Mercury Athletic Club Marathon at Yonkers, N. Y.

At the outbreak of the war he enlisted with the Highlanders in the Sixteenth Battalion.

Other members, officers of the Sixteenth Battalion, reported as wounded and missing are Capt. George H. Ross, Winnipeg, Man., and Lieut. John G. Kenworthy, Gang Ranch, B. C.

## CALLED TO STAND, RAE TANZER WON'T IDENTIFY OSBORNE

"Oh! I Can't Say Anything About That!" She Cries When Questioned.

TELLS OF HOTEL VISIT.

Describes Man She Went With to Plainfield, But Won't Say It Was Lawyer.

Rae Tanzer was called to the witness stand, this afternoon, by the defense in the case of Franklin D. Safford, who is on trial in Judge Hough's Court on a charge of committing perjury when he identified James W. Osborne as the man who spent the afternoon of Oct. 18, last, with Miss Tanzer at the Hotel Kensington, in Plainfield, N. J., where Safford was a clerk.

"In his opening address for Safford, Attorney Jacob Engel promised to 'show by the girl herself who was with James W. Osborne on that Sunday, that he was the man who took her to the hotel.' He declared Rae Tanzer's sisters 'will corroborate this, having frequently seen James W. Osborne with their sister.'"

Mr. Engel insisted Safford's identification of James W. Osborne was made in good faith and without any evil inducement; that the few dollars the Slades gave him were only for legitimate traveling expenses, and that he registered under false names at hotels because of domestic troubles.

"Miss Rae Tanzer!" called Benjamin Slade, as his colleague finished, and the girl walked slowly to the witness chair. When Mr. Slade asked her name, she replied:

"I cannot testify because I am indicted."

"You can tell your name," said Judge Hough. The girl immediately seemed to change her mind. She told her name and address and where she is employed.

When Mr. Slade asked her if she identified James W. Osborne, she again declined to answer.

"Do you claim your privilege?" asked Judge Hough.

"Yes, I am indicted," said the girl. "My lawyer has told me not to testify."

"Do you want to tell the truth?" Mr. Slade insisted.

"Yes, I do want to tell the truth," Rae Tanzer replied.

"Before you saw James W. Osborne in the office of the United States Commissioner, did you see him somewhere else?"

"Yes."

"Where?"

"I don't want my lawyer tell me not to testify about this case now," said the girl.

## SLAYER OF BABES ASKS BAIL FOR SAKE OF UNBORN CHILD.



MRS. IDA SNIFFEN WALTERS-ROGERS

## \$20,000 ANTIQUES STOLEN FROM FIFTH AVENUE GALLERY

Taken From \$500,000 Egyptian Collection That Was on Exhibition.

The collection of Egyptian antiquities made by Holt, De Rustaford, F. R. G. S., valued at \$500,000, and on exhibition at No. 734 Fifth Avenue, was burglarized some time between last night and this morning and ancient gold jewelry and other antiquities worth about \$20,000 were stolen.

The thieves entered the exhibition place by cutting through the wall of a vacant store at No. 3 West Fifty-seventh Street.

In their haste to get away the thieves left behind a painting valued at \$75,000, which was found in Thobes, and is said to be the first painting on canvas ever discovered. It is 3,000 years old.

They also overlooked a collection of sculpture valued at \$100,000, which is 7,000 years old and shows the origin of the sculptor's art.

Most of the articles stolen were jewelry, mainly gold-mounted scarabs, of great antiquity.

## GIANTS' OWNER QUILTS CONFERENCE ANGRILY

Five National League Magnates Met in Secret Session in President Tener's Office.

There was a mysterious conference of National League magnates in President John K. Tener's office, in the Metropolitan Tower Building, this afternoon. All those who went into the star chamber session were as closemouthed as clams. Although it was presumed by those in the know that the hurried meeting was for the purpose of discussing the case of Benny Kauff, the Brooklyn star, who jumped to the Giants and signed a three-year contract yesterday, still all the magnates denied that this was the case.

William F. Baker, President of the Phillies, was the first to arrive. He was escorted by Mr. Tener for half an hour. Then Jim Gaffney, President of the Boston Braves, world's champions, came along, followed closely by President Hobbes of the Dodgers and President Hempstead of the Giants.

The five magnates had been consulting with the league head only for a short time when President Hempstead hurried out, jumped into a taxicab and whispered orders to the chauffeur. Mr. Hempstead looked as mad as a batter.

## 65 REPORTED DEAD AND WOUNDED IN THE SHELLING OF COAST CITY

## GERMANS ON BOTH BANKS OF YSER, BERLIN REPORTS

Hold Bridgeheads on Western Side, Near Steenstraete, Says To-Day's Communique.

BERLIN, April 3 (by wireless to Sayville, L. I.).—An official report issued to-day says:

"Last night there was fighting between Steenstraete and Het Sas. German troops have fortified and hold bridgeheads on the western bank of the canal near Steenstraete and Het Sas, and on the east bank of the canal north of Ypres.

"Zouaves and Turcos attempted charge against the German right wing, but this charge broke down under the German fire.

"In the Champagne district, north of Le Mesnil the French attempts to win back their former positions resulted in failure.

"In the Aronne district to the north of Four de Paris a trench of the enemy was captured. German troops here took prisoner one French officer and thirty men and held the ground gained against repeated French counter attacks.

"Near Cornay in the eastern part of the Aronne an aeroplane of the enemy came to earth. The aviators were found to be dead.

"Between the Meuse and the Moselle French attacks on positions conquered by us on the Heights of the Meuse resulted in failure. Also to the north of Filleux a French charge failed, with heavy losses.

"In the fighting on the Heights of the Meuse between April 24 and April 28 the French lost in prisoners 43 officers, including 3 regimental commanders, and about 4,000 men.

"The fortifications of Harwich have been shelled from the air."

[Despatches from England last night said that Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds had been shelled by a German airship with slight material damage and no loss of life. Harwich is ten miles to the southeast of Ipswich.]

"In the Eastern arena of the war the vanguard of the German forces, advancing into Northwestern Russia, reached yesterday the railroad running from Duenaburg to Libau. The Russian forces did not offer serious resistance. Fighting is now going on near Szawale and Kaurwaja."

[This is in Russian Poland, north of Suwalki. Duenaburg is about 25 miles to the east of Libau. It is an important manufacturing city, and is described as a great depot for the Russian army.]

"The railroad line between these two points runs east and west through the heart of the Province of Kovno and is about 130 miles north of the boundary line between Kovno and East Prussia."

"Strong Russian attacks on our positions failed with heavy losses. German troops took prisoner five officers and 500 wounded Russian soldiers.

"Further to the south" between Kaurwaja and Augustowo, Russian charges failed."

## French Declared That the City Was Attacked From the Sea, but the Germans Insist Bombarding Was Done by the Artillery.

## BRITISH CONTRADICT THE REPORT FROM PARIS.

Dunkirk, the British war base in France, was bombarded yesterday. The French War Office declared that a German fleet had thrown nineteen shells into the city, killing twenty persons and wounding forty-five.

The British War Office said this afternoon that no German ships had been seen at the French city.

From Berlin this afternoon came a statement from the War Office that "the fortress of Dunkirk was shelled yesterday by German artillery."

Dunkirk is more than twenty miles from Westende, a coastal town in Belgium, which has long been in the hands of the Germans. There has been no recent mention in the news from any source of an advance along the coast from that point. The inlets and canals between the German and allied lines have heretofore been guarded by British and French gunboats.

It is possible that the Germans advanced far enough along the coast to enable them to train their long range 17-inch guns on the British war base.

A German fleet would have to move nearly 300 miles from its base to reach shelling distance of Dunkirk, and would have to run the gauntlet of the British and French warships which are patrolling the North Sea and the English Channel.

BERLIN, April 30 (via wireless to Sayville, L. I.).—German army headquarters to-day gave out the following report:

"Aviators have been active on the coast at Ostend. Houses were damaged.

"The fortress at Dunkirk was shelled yesterday by German artillery."

PARIS, April 30.—The first authentic report that a German war fleet had eluded the British and French squadrons and escaped from the North Sea to raid the coasts of the allies was given out to-day by the French War Office. The report says:

"German warships have been reported at large off the coast of Belgium.

"Dunkirk yesterday received nineteen shells of large calibre. Twenty persons were killed and forty-five wounded. Some houses were destroyed."

Whether the bombardment is being continued or the hostile fleet is steaming south to shell Calais and other points on the French coast has not been made known. These warships are operating nearly three hundred miles from their base.

It is believed in Paris that a demand has been made on the British Government to send ships to protect the French coast. Most of the new French warships are aiding the British forces in their operations in the Dardanelles.

LONDON, April 30 (Associated Press).—A British official statement given out this evening says it is not true that German warships have bombarded Dunkirk, on the coast of France.

AMSTERDAM, April 30 (via London).—The Telegraf publishes a despatch saying that the town of Zeebrugge, on the coast of the North Sea in Belgium, has been heavily bombarded. Zeebrugge is a base of the German submarine fleet.

## GERMAN AIRMEN ATTACK AN AMERICAN STEAMER

Aviators Hurl Bombs at the Cushing, Flying the U. S. Flag.

LONDON, April 30 (Associated Press).—The Reuter Telegram Company has received a despatch from Rotterdam saying the American steamship Cushing, from Philadelphia, arrived at Rotterdam to-day and reports having been attacked by German airmen in the North Sea last Wednesday.

The airmen dropped two bombs, but no damage was done.

The Cushing was flying the American flag and her name was displayed on her sides in huge letters.

The Cushing left Philadelphia April 11 for Rotterdam via Deal. She is 4,320 tons net register and is 427 feet long.

The Cushing is owned by the Standard Oil Company. She was formerly the German steamship Prometheus, and was changed to American registry last November.

The Cushing's cargo consisted of 2,481,000 gallons of refined petroleum and 50,000 gallons of lubricating oil.

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